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Pursuant to 35 USC § 134, 37 CFR § 41.31, and MPEP § 1205, the Applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action dated August 16, 2006 at least twice rejecting or finally rejecting claims 1-14.

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